THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

PRESIDENT'S ROOM

January 16, 1926.

My dear Robinson:-

It is certainly most desirable to have you present at the joint conference and in my letter I should have intimated to you that if the 22nd is otherwise desirable, we shall endeavor to secure a preaching appointment for you so that you can be here at that time. However, in looking over the letters of the several members of the committee, I have come to the conclusion that perhaps a Friday date would be as convenient all around as any we could get. What would you say of the fifth or the nineteenth of February? Princeton is a little more central location, it seems to me, for most of the members of the joint committee, but so far as I am personally concerned, I can conveniently attend a meeting either in New York or in Philadelphia.

Awaiting your pleasure in the matter, I am,

Sincerely yours,

Ross Stevenson

The Rev. W. Courtland Robinson, D.D.,

Delhi, New York.

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PRESIDENT'S ROOM

January 21, 1926.

My dear Robinson:-

Your letter has just been received. As three members of the joint committee live in Philadelphia and one in Trenton, it would seem to me that we could more reasonably expect a full attendance here in Princeton than in New York City.

I am, therefore, inquiring of the different men whether they could attend a meeting here on the afternoon of February 19th, say at three o'clock. This will make it possible, if you desire, to have a meeting of the committee who are Directors at two o'clock. Perhaps I shall strike some other snag. Will let you know as soon as I hear from the different ones.

Very cordially yours,

J. Ross Stevenson

The Rev. W. Courtland Robinson, D.D.,

Delhi, New York.

THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
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PRESIDENT'S ROOM

January 12, 1926.

My dear Robinson:-

It is rather difficult to find a date that will suit every member of the joint committee to consider the possible merging of the Boards of the Seminary. According to the consensus of opinion which I gathered by correspondence, a majority of the men prefer a Monday meeting. I am wondering whether Monday, February 22nd, would be a suitable time. Judge Rellstab would certainly be free on that date and I imagine that the same thing would be true of Mr. Nichols. If you approve, I shall send out the notices for a two o'clock meeting in the afternoon. If you think best, you can summon the members who are Directors to meet here in Princeton on the morning of that date.

Awaiting your pleasure in the matter, I am,

Very cordially yours,

J. Ross Stevenson

The Rev. W. Courtland Robinson, D.D.,

Delhi, New York.

Hobart, N.Y.
Jan. 6, 1926

My dear Dr. Robinson,

Upon my return from a very brief trip to my home in western Pennsylvania, I found your kind letter of Dec. 30th awaiting me. It would give me great pleasure to accept your invitation to speak on Tuesday Feb. 2nd in your series of meetings, if you are sure your people could stand such a novice as myself. If you have any particular subject that you would like me to stress, I should be glad to get your suggestions. I shall have no difficulty in getting to Delhi, as no

doubt I shall use the train to Bloomville and the bus from there. I appreciate your thoughtfulness in asking me to speak in these meetings.

May I thank you for the sermon "A National Loss" which came to me a few days ago? I enjoyed it greatly. Surely you have in it considered a vital question and your session did well to have it printed and distributed.

I have neglected to write you after my return from Grand Rapids where I attended the first annual conference of the League of Evangelical Students. At that meeting you were elected an honorary member in accordance with your statement in a letter to me that you would be willing to accept such membership.

Of course honorary membership carries with it no financial obligations but it is a real encouragement in what I feel will be a great work among students of real evangelical convictions. We had a great convention, with Dr. Machen, Dr. Shaw and Dr. Keyser making the principal addresses.

I was delighted to learn that the directors at Princeton were able to elect Dr. Macartney and I sincerely hope he has decided to accept. Your frank remarks in the letter you sent me at that time were very illuminating and confirmed my impression. In my dealings with Dr. Stevenson last year in connection with the student activities (and I had such dealings with

him on an average of once a week) I received a distinct impression that his influence was all thrown decidedly against any strongly evangelical move.

Is the report I have heard that the Seminary actually turned away students, who applied for admission this year, because of lack of scholarship-aid funds correct? This and other matters I hope I shall be able to discuss with you when I see you.

With kindest regards for the New Year to Mrs Robinson and yourself, I am

Very sincerely yours

Joseph A. Schofield, Jr

THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

PRESIDENT'S ROOM

January 29, 1926.

Dear Dr. Robinson:-

With the exception of Judge Rellstab, who has gone to Bermuda and will not return until April 1st, all the members of the two committees can attend the meeting at the time proposed. We shall, therefore, expect you to be present at the meeting in the Alumni Office, Princeton, on February 19th, at three p.m.

Very cordially yours,

John Mackenzie

The Rev. W. Courtland Robinson, D.D.,

Delhi, New York.

THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

PRESIDENT'S ROOM

December 30, 1925.

My dear Robinson:-

The copy of your strong, convincing and timely sermon which you so kindly sent has been received and read with sincere appreciation. So much of the wholesome truths of your discourses which appeal to me are much in line with what I have been reading in "The Life and Letters of William Robertson Nicoll". This, by the way, is a most refreshing biography. I have been especially interested in what this distinguished theologian and religious journalist has had to say regarding the theological colleges of Scotland and England. Referring to Dr. Stalker as willing to leave a successful church in Glasgow for a professorship in Aberdeen, he quotes Principal Rainey as saying, "Oh, it is an honorable retirement".

Although himself a graduate of Aberdeen University and Theological College, he speaks of the work of theological professors as being "the most demoralizing business in the world."and then goes on to say, "the vast holiday, the majestical temper induced by the work, the fact that no effort is needed to keep the place or attract the students, the petty cliques which form among the professors, the induced sense of superiority to ordinary industrious beings, gradually corrupt the finest and noblest natures, and I have never known a man made a professor without becoming more or less deteriorated". This is dangerous teaching for me to quote, especially to a Director of our own Seminary, but it is certainly interesting reading.

With all good wishes for the New Year, I am,

Gratefully and sincerely yours,

J. Ross Stevenson

The Rev. W. Courtland Robinson, D.D.,

Delhi, New York.

My dear Court -

Thank you many times for the sermons I enjoyed them very much the one on revence seems very much needed to us older ones - although we are told we do not understand the young folks - that they are not so bad - and we felt the same way when we were young. The Christmas sermon is very beautiful - I am going to pass on both sermons when I am sure they will be liked -

The family here are quite as usual - The courtship goes merrily on. Hollie thinks he has found the one perfect woman in the world, past, present

or future. Margaret is a very nice girl but I don't like to have him so infatuated for she's human and guile unconsciously no doubt they are both putting their best foot forward and are too perfect to hold out in the rough and tumble of life as most of us find it. She is twenty-six of German parentage. She came here to take care of Lolly Fowler's shirt business and has learned all about shirts, consequently can talk shirts with Hollis quite understandingly. Which naturally is very pleasing to him. He thinks she is the smartest thing ever was and every one has to Fowler and her slightest wish must

gratified - No wonder she is good natured - Well that enough for them -

Fannie has closed her house and gone to Florida to the winter. Mr. Laubach has been under the Doctors care for some time and they recomended a warmer climate - They are at Sunset Inn, Passubora, St. Petersburg - Florida - Aunt Liggie and Mai and Albert are also there Late Summer or Early Fall Mai was out of town for a few days and Albert disgraced himself so they bounced him from the Store and it

is rumored that his father has disinherited him - It is understood that they wish to sell their home and live in Florida - It's well Mai had some money of her own -

Our new church progresses slowly - but I think surely -

I think so often of my visit with you all and the lovely auto ride I had - I am so glad I had that opportunity for there has hardly been a time since I would have dared attempt it - for my heart does not behave so very well, but I can see I am growing stronger but very slowly - My best love to Sum I wish she would write - Suppose the little folks have grown a whole lot. With love

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Dec. 31, 1925.

Mr. W. Courtland Robinson,

Delhi, N. Y.

Dear Sir:

We thank you very much for your request for information concerning the following securities:

Community Power & Light Company First Mortgage Collateral 6-1/2s, 1933, are quoted at about 104. We are enclosing for your more complete information concerning this company a circular issued in connection with an offering some months ago of Community Power & Light Company First & Collateral Sinking Fund, Series "B" 6s, 1950, which were issued under this same mortgage. The 6s are available at the present time at about 101, to yield 5.90%.

Staten Island Edison Corporation 6-1/2s, are currently quoted at about 107. This company is a subsidiary of the Associated Gas & Electric and operates in the Borough of Richmond, the last remaining part of greater New York available for extensive developments. As soon as rapid transit facilities are furnished to this section it is confidently expected that this section will build up very much as the Bronx has built up in the past.

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This company is a very important utility in both North and South Carolina and has a remarkable record of steady growth.

The Northern States Power Company 5-1/2% Notes, due 1940 quoted at about 96, to yield 5.90%, are a recent issue of Notes of this company which serves the entire Twin City district. We look upon the Northern States Power Company as one of the very strong utilities of this country and well worth considering from an investment standpoint.

We are enclosing circulars describing various of the above, and if you wish to favor us with any orders we shall give them our very careful attention.

Very truly yours,

Spencer Trask & Co.

GWW/P

My dear Mr Robinson:-

It was with the greatest pleasure that I read your sermon "in National Loss" and subscribe to the sentiments therein contained. The automobile and golf have done a great deal to break down the Sundays I was used to in my home, and I do not like to see it, and believe that we will have to pay for it some day.

A new and entirely unsolicited honor came to me in this

morning's mail, my election as one of Trustees of Second Presbyterian Church. It has taken me so by surprise that I do not know what to think of it. If I followed my first thought it would be to refuse, as you know I would rather look on than to take an active part. I will have to think over it and talk to largest part of our home before giving my decision.

We had a very quiet but pleasant Christmas, after distributing small gifts to the people in the Court we went to Church and then waited for the "family" dinner in the evening.

Tonight Mrs Stoddart goes to the opera, I wish I could go and enjoy it, but it bores me if she lets me off.

I thank you for sending me the sermon, and as I have said before I do appreciate your kindness to me more than I can express.

Wishing you and yours not only a Happy New year but the best one you have ever had I am

Very truly
Hany J. Stoddart

December twenty ninth

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Delhi
New York.

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Enclosed you will find memorandum showing the bond we have set aside for your account. It will be delivered directly to you immediately upon receipt of your remittance.

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Very sincerely yours

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ASSISTANT SALES MANAGER.

R.M.Horner
W:OW

Dear Dickenson

Yours rec'd several times & write in answer to your wish of comfort.

I am trying hard to bear my sorrow, living only one day at a time. Helen and Carl are still with me and she intends on my going home with her for a short time. If nothing prevents will leave the 21st of December and remain until around 1st of January

It was a great comfort to have you with us, and

I knew it would have been just as Mr. Smith wished.

Spanking you again for pushing up if coming, and remember me to Mrs. Robinson

Sincerely
Bessie C. Smith

Oct 14th 1925

THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

PRESIDENT'S ROOM

December 10, 1925.

My dear Robinson:-

The Board of Trustees at its meeting last May appointed a committee to confer with a similar committee of the Board of Directors regarding the possibility or advisability of merging the two Boards of the Seminary and I was instructed to serve as convener. As you will recall, the Board of Directors took action appointing its former committee as a committee to confer with the Committee from the Board of Trustees, but did not designate any one as convener. The endeavor to have a meeting before the October meeting of the Board was futile as no date could be found that would suit the convenience of a majority of the committee membership. At the meeting of the Directors a remark was made which gave me the impression that the committee of which you are now Chairman desired to have a preliminary meeting by itself before conferring with the Trustees.

I write to inquire what your wishes in this whole matter are? It would hardly be feasible to have a conference between the two committees before the holidays, but we might be able to agree on a date sometime in January.

On Tuesday, last, there was a conference of the committees appointed to consider the question of pensions and the general opinion seemed to be that it would be necessary to have not only a special meeting of the Board of Directors, but of the Board of Trustees prior to the regular meetings in May. In case such special meetings are called, say late in January or early in February, will it be well to have a conference regarding the proposed Board merger prior to that time?

Cordially and sincerely yours,

John Stevenson

The Rev. W. Courtland Robinson, D.D.,

Delhi, New York.

R. HAMILL D. SWING. D. D. S.
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Tuesday
Dec.8th
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My Dear Dr. Robinson:

Your letter of the 4th inst., with enclosure was duly received and of course I was delighted to hear from you.

I want to take this opportunity of expressing to you through the combined Boards the acknowledgment of your check towards the improvements of the church. The members of Northminster church have a very warm spot in their hearts for Dr. Robinson, and this will never be effaced. After one has labored so faithfully as you did for twelve or more years your many kindnesses can never be forgotten, and I am sure that you are still very much interested in old Northminster Church. This is evidenced by your wanting to contribute something towards this much needed work. I wish that all of our members would manifest the same spirit.

I want to say to you at this time that while I have had some little part in this work, yet I want to give a lot of credit to Mr. Simons, who so ably backed me up both in his work and with his money. If it had not been for him this work would not have started this past summer. He deserves and must have credit which is due him. It certainly is a pleasure to work with such men as Mr. Simons.

R. HAMILL D. SWING, D.D.S.
ELRAE BUILDING
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Dec. 8th 1925

Dr. W. Courtland Robinson -2-

Now while he is one of the outstanding factors in this improvements scheme, yet I do not want to in the least belittle so many other members of our church who have worked to make this a success, and given just as much in proportion as Mr. Simons and myself, and they deserve a lot of credit in putting this thing over.

This is going to be almost a new church when finished, and I am sure you will be proud of Northminster's new building, all dressed up, when you come to Philadelphia the next time.

The exterior of the building if the weather permits will be finished this week, or not later than next week. The pre-cast stone work and plaster in the interior is finished, painters and decorators are at work on the ceiling and sides of the auditorium and I expect Mr. Evans, who has charge of all the panelling, pulpit platform furniture, etc. will be on his job in a very few days. Most of his work is planned and finished in his work room, ready to put up when he gets through the foundation work of the pulpit platform. I know that you will be mightily pleased and proud to have been one of the pastors of Northminster Church when you see what your old parishioners have done. Most of this work has been done by those you brought into the fold while pastor.

While we all love Dr. Mackie, yet we still have a warm spot, and always will have for Dr. Robinson. Again thanking you for your contribution, and feeling

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Dr. W. Courtland Robinson, -3-

that you will be proud that you have taken a part in this improvement work, I am with kindest regards to Mrs. Robinson and yourself in which Mrs. Swing joins me,

Sincerely yours,

R Hamill D Swing

Dr. W. Courtland Robinson
Delhi
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REV COURTLAND ROBINSON

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BELLE H SMITH

8 23A

Saturday

My Dear Court:- Yours rec'd.

There is no way to get an outsider in this home within a long time, as their entrance is conditioned on a residence for 2 yrs. within a certain radius.

Sorry I can't help you. Am not feeling my best. This steady grind has me in a bad condition, but I am some better. Maybe a little rest later will do me some good. Love to all

Harris

Hobart, N. Y.
Nov. 16, 1925

The Rev. W. Courtland Robinson, D. D.
Delhi, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Robinson,

All last week I watched the New York papers for news from Princeton and did not see a single item in the Herald-Tribune, which was a great surprise to me. But I did receive a letter from one of the students there who told me that Dr Macartney was elected by the directors. I was greatly pleased to learn that. I feel that a great step has been taken toward the preservation of the noble position of the seminary and I rejoice with you and the other directors on this splendid victory.

I find that I am able to go to Grand Rapids this week to attend the first annual convention of "The League of Evangelical Students", which is the thoroughly conservative inter-seminary student movement started last year under the influence of the students at Princeton. I feel that this movement will some day be able to do great things to counteract the destructive propoganda that is today so prevalent in some of our American colleges and seminaries. It will also be able to give to the church a strong testimony to the faith of many students who have refused to depart from the faith of our fathers. Dr. Machen, Dr. Kyle, Dr. Keyser and Dr. Sloan are among those who will be there, so you can see the convention will be under good auspices.

One of the features which is hoped will strengthen the League is the honorary membership in it of older men, ministers, missionaries and others, whose names will encourage the students and lend prestige to the organization. If you are at all interested in the spread of this thoroughly evangelical movement among students, will you not drop me a line to that effect, so that I may present your name to the convention for election to honorary membership in the league? I am sure the students would consider it an honor to be permitted to elect you to such membership.

With the kindest personal regards and with high hopes for the future of Princeton, I am

Very sincerely yours,

Joseph A. Schofield, Jr

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P.S. I hope to leave on Thursday for Grand Rapids. The convention is to be held in the seminary of Calvin College.

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November 5, 1925.

Rev. W. Courtland Robinson,
Delhi,
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Dear Brother:

We are very much pleased to have received the agreement of your congregation to participate in the New Pension Plan adopted by the last General Assembly. Will you please convey to the officers of your Church and to the congregation itself our sincere appreciation of the action which they have taken.

The agreement of the congregation, together with your own agreement, will be placed on file and you will both be notified when to begin payments, which will not likely be before April 1st, 1926, the tentative date now set for the beginning of the operation of the New Pension Plan.

Again thanking you, I remain,

Cordially yours,

Reid S. Dickson.

Associate Secretary.

RH:K.

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THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

PRESIDENT'S ROOM

November 4, 1925.

My dear Robinson:-

Since the reception of your letter of October 26th, I have been almost continuously absent from home filling appointments of one kind and another. For example, yesterday I was at Mauch Chunk, conducting a "Retreat" for the Lehigh Presbytery. To-day I have been in New York, attending an important conference.

There are a number of statements in your letter which I would wish to qualify. The problem before the Board of Directors is to secure a competent man to teach the very inclusive and important subject of Apologetics. I too have an open mind, but no considerations thus far have been adduced which would convince me that Dr. Macartney has the training or the qualifications to teach the courses of study which our students ought to have in that department as a foundation for the work in other departments. It seems to me that we have gotten into a kind of panicky state and are willing to do because of suspicions and fears what under normal conditions would not be thought of.

Very sincerely yours,

J. Ross Stevenson

The Rev. W. Courtland Robinson, D.D.,

Delhi, New York.

Delhi, N. Y., Oct. 26, 1925.

Rev. J. Ross Stevenson, L.L.D.
Princeton,
N. J.

Dear president Stevenson:-

We agree perfectly:

(1) It is strange that men of the same theological position should not see alike regarding Dr. McCartney the chair of apologetics.

(2) Only a conservative can be professor in Princeton.

(3) Liberalism is becoming an alarming menace in the church and Princeton must set face like flint against it. The rock upon which we split is the interpretation of these propositions. I have written and destroyed several long letters because past history is past history and I am very uncertain as to your reaction upon reading a letter from me. The present situation is our problem.

Consistently since 1922 I have believed Dr. McCartney the best available man, quite sufficient in scholarship and with other commanding qualities. My mind is not closed. If you can name a man whom the Corriculum Committee will unanimously endorse I think I will vote for him. You say you have a man, but in two years you have urged no man with clear conviction and zeal.

After long consideration 16 or possibly 17 (Brownson) Directors are for McCartney. Illness kept one home from the last meeting; other hindrances may obtain next Monday. Probably you can block McCartney's election, but honestly I wonder if a president would advise him that it is wise so to do, for the institution or for himself. You have made your position very clear. You have done your full part in that way. I respect your position. 16 do not agree with it. A deadlock 11 years ago was broken by one of the minority yielding. Somebody must now yield in Princeton. It will be easier for one to yield, and he the president, than to get 4 or 5 to change a position taken as carefully, as conscientiously as you have taken yours. As the matter stands it is McCartney or nobody; at least for a long time; and you know as well as I that the situation seriously demands a choice right away. I sincerely hope we may elect next Monday and that our president will not be in a minority who-so-ever is chosen. It is only fair to say that Laird and I have honestly tried to follow you and to yield to others as much as possible. Since 1915, when by a long talk alone I persuaded Dr. D. R. Erdman to resign his great ambition and nominate you, which he did in the

most effective speech of the kind I ever heard, I have been anxious to see him moderate. In 1924 I spent three months bombarding McCartney in behalf of Erdman and he would have withdrawn if Erdman made one bold public statement - I have that in writing. Dr. McCartney knew my position and, gentleman as he is, respected it and while consulting with me never sought my help. He has sought the help of no one in this present situation. I left Erdman only at the last moment, when you also deserted him and asked me to inform him.

This year, next to McEwan himself, Erdman can thank Laird and me (Laird mostly) for keeping McEwan out. Laird and I have not fought you though at times we have seriously doubted the wisdom of some of your courses. Laird and I have differed somewhat, strange as it may seem to you. He does not make up all my thoughts for me. Usually, however, we agreed after full consultation. You, however, have seemed to us to seek and follow entirely different persons, with some of whom I am unable to agree as to policy in Princeton or elsewhere. Next Monday will be a very important day for Princeton Seminary and its president. From the bottom of my heart I hope and pray it will promote, not injure, Princeton Seminary, the president and the cause of conservatism, to which we all claim to be committed. If you feel resentment, anger or hurt at this letter you do injustice to my spirit.

Very truly yours,

WCR/WM.

Faculty, acknowledged in the report of the Committee of Seven to be wholly conservative, he would prove himself to be a divisive factor. This would naturally follow from his known attitude towards the Presbyterian Church, her Boards and her enterprises.

That liberalism has been creeping into our Church and is a real and alarming menace cannot be denied, and against this Princeton must set her face like a flint in her testimony and in her influence. But this does not involve the necessity of pre-judging our brethren, of establishing new tests of orthodoxy, and of casting unwarranted reflections on the Agencies of the Church. The leader of the Faculty majority has made sweeping statements regarding our Church Boards and our Presbyterian pulpits which can only be interpreted as a demand for excision or division. Dr. Macartney, in large part at least, has shown a sympathy with this. He has held aloof from the larger life and work of the Church, and it was this aloofness, this separateness from the interests and enterprises of the Church which the Directors deplored when they elected me President in the hope that my contacts with numerous organizations might serve to overcome it, and make the Seminary a potent factor in the whole life of the Church, for the leadership of which she is to train young men. I simply cannot understand how men like Laird and yourself can consent to an election which would be interpreted by a majority of the Alumni - men for the most part trained by the present Faculty - as a surrender on the part of the Directors to a policy of aloofness, to a policy which has already brought forth the suggestion that the President to be consistent with Princeton orthodoxy should resign from the Assembly Committees and Agencies with which he has long been identified. This election

would be so interpreted by the Church, and could only mean for the Seminary a hopeless split, prolonged agitation, with the prospect of intervention on the part of the Assembly. We cannot overlook the fact that the Seminary is not independent, as Union made herself to be, that she does not belong to any section or party of the Presbyterian Church, but is an agency of the whole Church, and as answerable to the Assembly as any Board.

It seems to me then that in doing what you think I ought to do - rise above all party interests, I can do nothing else but insist - no matter what it costs me - that the men who are brought into chairs already or soon to be vacant must be men who have the confidence of the whole conservative wing of the Church and of the Alumni, and are those concerning whom and concerning whose policies conservatives are agreed.

Very cordially and sincerely yours,

J. Ross Stevenson

The Rev. W. Courtland Robinson, D.D.,

Delhi, New York.

THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

PRESIDENT'S ROOM

October 22, 1925.

My dear Robinson:-

Your frank letter of October 16th has been read with genuine interest. As men who occupy the same theological position, and have the best interests of the Seminary alike on our hearts, it seems strange that we cannot agree regarding Dr. Macartney's proposed election to the chair of Apologetics. Both of us are of the opinion that we should not select a dry as dust scholastic to such an important post, but we differ as to the necessary value of sound and solid learning for that fundamentally important chair. I endeavored to outline for the Board the qualifications which are generally recognized in theological circles for the teacher of Apologetics, and you quote approvingly the reply of a fellow-Director, "There aint no such man". As to this I would say, the Seminary which would train college graduates who have been under the tutelage of philosophically and scientifically prepared teachers, must have professors with standards of scholarship equally high. A committee appointed to discover the best man available should not limit their investigations to one or two personal friends, but should follow every clue. Had this been done, I believe the man amply qualified would have been found, for I can name him whenever the Committee or the Board is willing to approach the problem with an open mind.

As to the opinion of "a majority of the Faculty" that Dr. Macartney is fitted for the work of the Apologetic chair, these brethren have evidently experienced a sudden and recent change of heart. Dr. Macartney in the presence of the Committee quoted Dr. Armstrong and Dr. Machen as having expressed the judgment that he had neither the training nor the tools for this chair. Dr. Davis, Dr. Wilson and Dr. Loetscher have all expressed themselves to the same

effect. Other considerations then than those of scholarly fitness must have influenced the Faculty majority. Do not they and those who are now joining with them constitute "a party or faction" above which you urge me to rise that the wider interests of the Seminary may be served? Is it not true that when Dr. Macartney's candidacy for the Moderatorship was precipitated without a general conference of conservative leaders a faction among Princeton men was created? Its purpose was to elect him and defeat Dr. Erdman. Succeeding in this, it combined again the following year to defeat Dr. Erdman and to put into the Moderator's chair a non-Princeton man. The "majority of the Faculty" joined this party movement within the conservative ranks and publicly expressed their opposition to Dr. Erdman in a way which was intended to discredit him. Here in our Faculty circle the same group of men combined to displace and humiliate Dr. Erdman. The minority cannot be called a party or a faction in the matters at issue. They were not intent upon Dr. Erdman's candidacy, and some of them advised him not to permit his name to be considered. Defeated in Faculty meetings, they quietly acquiesced, Erdman alone feeling compelled to answer in the Presbyterian serious reflections which were cast upon him. Shoul I now join with those who are seeking to seat Dr. Macartney in the Faculty, would I not be identifying myself with a "faction", although that seems to be a strong word to use (I take it from your letter), and be putting party interests before the larger interests of the Seminary which should enlist the cooperation of every loyal, conservative alumnus? In a Seminary like Princeton, every professor must be a conservative. I have heard no member of the Faculty or of the Board or of the whole body of the Alumni object to Dr. Macartney because he is a conservative. The one insistent general criticism of him is that he is a partisan, and that if he should enter the

Gouverneur.N.Y. 10/20/25

Dear Court:

Yes my home family is no larger than than yours now.Two plates on opposite sides of the table,that is all that is required now.Sherman is in Colgate and likes it so far very much.He likes the frat house,had several bids and thinks he made a wise choice-thinks the boys are a fine bunch.Had a letter from Dean Eisenhart saying the faculty had voted he might return to Princeton in Feb.Did I tell you that he went to Amherst armed with the names of congressman Snell and ex-Sec of State Lansing? Well I had a very fine letter from President Olds saying he much regretted their rules would not allow them to take him in.He said:"he certainly has a fine personalty,and I think w would make a good Amherst man."

Sherman does not like the idea of taking an extra year year at P.as he would have to do if he went back there.They would let him go back in Feb and repeat the last half of Soph year.They admitted him to the junior class in Colgate.But his Uncle George wants him to go back-he thinks there is no place like Princeton.Of course Sherman is young enough,he is only nineteen.What do you think about it?Pres Olds advised going back.

I am anxious to get a letter from you to know what they -you-did at Princeton-whether you did anything radical or not.

Auburn has a pretty good grip on the Synod of N.Y. if one can judge from the program of the meeting at Utica.How would your name look on there with that bunch?McCarthy would think you had fallen in with a lot of thieves.

Yes I think they like Prout very much.I have not met him.I have not even seen who they had at the installation.No it is not at all strange that they did not want me. Potsdam is pretty high hat you know and they wanted good men-men good enough for the church. I saw Prout at Presbytery and he was here at the Presbyterial Banquet last week,but I did not get a chance to speak to him on either occassion.I hope they will think as much of him as they did of you-they have not of any of the others they have had.

Dr McDowall gave the address at the banquet and he was good-our men liked him imensely.There were a little less than three hundred men here.We had a good time.

When did you discover that there was something lacking in you that is necessary to a long pastorate?Every church you have served hated to let you go-unless it was Syracuse-and I guess most of t them did.And the church you served longest regretted most your going.That does not look like a lack.You could have been in Potsdam yet and the church would have been a greater church than it is. Good night old boy,sweet dreams,love,

Will

My dear Court.

I am been so long that either you or Fern would write, so was very glad to learn through Beatrice Mable that you were all well. Stewart and Anna home again safely and the children well. Would be very glad to have a more detailed account of all the Robinson doings the last summer.

The family here were much the same. Hollis has enjoyed his new Jersey. Enclosed Studebaker very much, does not tire him to drive at all, so gently we have had more and longer rides than ever before and latterly I have been too. Anna has enjoyed it. Change very much. While Will & Libbie were in Lila were down several times to call. Mr. Harbach has built an enclosed porch on the front of the house which changes the appearance very much.

Will have great difficulty in getting about, more and more each year but improved in flesh and appearance the six weeks he was in Coila.

Madge was at the Lake all summer as usual - has been home several weeks now and she and Walter are planning a trip to New York and Atlantic City, next week perhaps - Evelyn and her family had a lovely Auto trip in early Sept - Mohawk Trail - Concord, Boston, New Haven Providence &c - Ending with a visit with Cecil's mother & sister at Newtown Conn. also Bradford's Aunt and Grandfather at South Sandwich Bradford goes to school and likes it very much - Cecil is all on fire over the prospect of a new organ for the new church. The new church by the way promises to be quite a grand affair not a plain meeting house by any manner of means but a very

churchly church - with stalls and lectern, sounds quite like a cathedral to my unsophisticated ears. The local Episcopal church has given the Presbyterians the use of their church for vesper service Sunday afternoon for so long as we have no church. Everyone was so surprised and pleased - it was such a nice neighborly thing to do.

The Heckrotters "folded their tents like the Arabs, and as silently stole away" - Are they in Delhi? It was too big a proposition for them I imagine.

Hollis is so busy and full of cure one hardly dares to speak. They are rushed to the limit - and too he has had a girl all summer, her home is on Long Island - she is of German parentage and came here through the Fowlers - she is a very lovely girl and a good bright girl and sensible too - the family are fond of her too

Dont mention it to him, it might not strike him right that I was telling - I never know how it will strike him.

The foliage about here has been most beautiful this Fall I am sure there never was more gorgeous coloring - but this long rainy day will bring many to leave here I am afraid -

There is serious talk of Albert and Mai Fowler, Mrs. Stevenson and Lizzie Ferguson going the first of December to Florida for the Winter -

I do hope some one may feel like writing and tell me all the news of all the Robinsons Very much love for Each and Every one

Min.

Hobart, N. Y.
Oct. 13, 1925

The Rev. W.C.Robinson, D.D.
Delhi, N. Y.

Dear Dr. Robinson,

We have just been able, after considerable delay and difficulty, to set the date for my ordination and installation in the Hobart church. Mr. W.E.King told me tonight that he would telephone you about it, but I also wanted to write you to ask you to take part in the service. The date has now been fixed for Thursday evening, Oct. 29. I sincerely hope you will be able to be here and to have a part in the service. I have written to Dr. Russell, as you suggested at the Presbytery meeting, and have asked him to be present and to preside, but whether he can come or not, I should very much like to have you take some part in the service. If Dr. Russell cannot come, we should like you to preside and to put the Constitutional Questions. If Dr. Russell does come, we should ask him to preside, and have you put the Constitutional Questions, if another than the presiding officer can put them. If not, we should have you take some other part. You see I am very anxious to have you here that night. I shall let you know as soon as I hear from Dr. Russell.

There is a question which I should like to ask you. It would please me, and I think it would be appropriate, to have Dr. J. W. Smith, for many years pastor of my home church in Warren, Pa., and the only pastor I really have ever known in the church to which I belonged, do the actual ordaining, if this should be possible. He is now living in Philadelphia and has consented to take part in the service. He is not, of course, a member of this Presbytery but of the Presbytery of Philadelphia. Now the question is this, may a member of another Presbytery ordain in this Presbytery? I understand that fathers often ordain their sons, and I suppose that this is frequently done in Presbyteries to which the fathers do not belong. I thought you would be able to give me some information about this before we completed the program.

I sincerely hope you will find it convenient to be present at the ordination.

Very sincerely yours,

Joseph A. Schofield, Jr.

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THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
PRINCETON, NEW JERSEY

PRESIDENT'S ROOM

September 30, 1925.

My dear Dr. Robinson:-

Following the action of the Board of Directors and the Board of Trustees of Princeton Seminary in appointing committees to confer "on the question of merging the Boards", I am calling a meeting of these two committees at Princeton, in the Alumni Office, on Monday, October 12th, at three o'clock p.m.

Hoping that it will be possible for you to attend, I am,

Very cordially yours,

J. Ross Stevenson

The Rev. W. Courtland Robinson, D.D.,

Delhi, New York.

P.S. Hope this will be a convenient time for you. Shall be glad to have you lodge with us that night as you will probably wish to remain over for the meeting of the Board of Directors. J.R.S.

Gouverneur N.Y. 9/30/25

Dear Court:

I was glad to get your letter. I fear I have neglected my friends-as well as my brothers. All summer we have been all upseton account of the children. Especially the past three weeks have been strenuos ones. We supposed we were all fixed so far as Rhoda was concerned till early in August. We put in application for Rhoda at Wellesley three years ago. We knew her name was not on the main list, that was then full, but on a reserved list from which they draw to substitute in case of withdrawals and failures. They were very late in forwarding her regents record. The Secretary wrote that it was satisfactory but they had already taken in so many they did not think there would be any hope for her. But she said her school record and her testimonials were so good she wold be given every consideration. That her's was one of four or five records that would be first considered. I asked her to telegraph me as soon as finally decided. Last Friday got word "no prospects". So we entered her at Syracuse, paid for term engaged board and room. Yesterday got telegram, "late withdrawal gives daughter place wire if she can come". What do you think of that for luck? So we are going to leave her in Syracuse for this year. Sherman is finally located in Colgate. You do not know how humiliating it has been to me to have my boy who I

know is a good boy,Whom even Dean Magiesaid" was of an earnest purpose desiring an education for high use",going about from college begging admission,and Yale and Dartmouth and Amherst and Hamilton shutting the door against him.If the American college has no place for a clean,industrious boy "of an earnest purpose seeking an education for high use" what are they looking for?I think Magie saw things differently before the summer was over.He told my son George at Bar Harbor he hoped the new committee would take him back;but he would not tell the new com that and Dean Eisenhart told Sherman they would not reverse any decision of the old com.The most they could do was to let him go back the mid year and repeat second term of Soph year.But Sherman had had what he wanted out of that and see the cost in time and money. He went to Amherst and said Pres't Olds was very nice to him and said he had had a nice letter from Dean Eisenhart regarding him, but said,as did every other,"we feel we must abide by our rule." So there you are.But we got him into Colgate through Prof E.W. Smith,who is a cousin of Kate's.Bully for these cousins. No,it will take more than the controversy to weaken my esteem and affection for you.$6500 would look mighty big to me. Hope you get Princeton straightened out.Sorry to hear about McEwan.Glad Mrs R is improving.Great love to you both,

Will

Hobart, N.Y.
September 21, 1925

Dr. W. Courtland Robinson,
Delhi, N.Y.

Dear Dr. Robinson,

Let me thank you for your very kind letter of September 19th and for the cordial welcome to this region that it contained. I have been here a few days over a week and feel I am going to enjoy the work here very much. And one of the chief pleasures that I have been looking forward to ever since I knew I was to come here is acquaintanceship with you. Having heard so much of you ever since I started in Princeton Seminary, I have been looking forward to meeting you. I shall have that pleasure,

I hope, at the meeting of the Presbytery next week. If, I am able to get to Delhi, however, before that time I shall call upon you.

Very sincerely yours,

Joseph A. Schofield, Jr

W. M. SAMPLE
3502 HAMILTON STREET

PHILADELPHIA, Sept 4th 1925

My Dear Dr Robinson

A letter just received from E P Alexander tells me that you met with a bad automobile accident. I am distressed to hear it and hope you and Mrs Robinson escaped without serious injury - We arrived home safely ~~Sept~~ Aug 15th - Enjoyed every minute of the twenty two days we were away and drove nearly 2300 miles without even a puncture - Dr Swing and family are home - Did you hear that they met Stuart and Ann in a London Restaurant. The work on the exterior of the Church is progressing nicely - Not much doing on the interior as they have to wait for certain things to be made Remember me to Mrs Robinson and again hoping you both escaped unscathed

I am Yours Very Truly
W M Sample

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My dear Mr Robinson!—

Nothing I assure you would give Mrs Stoddart and myself more pleasure than to accept your kind invitation to come to Delhi, but unfortunately I can only get off week ends.

I have been tied up this Summer and cannot make plans to take much time. Mrs Stoddart has

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been here since the first of July and I have been coming up Saturday sometimes stealing away Friday late and returning Monday morning.

We are having our own trouble with a new toy that Mrs Stoddart wanted, a Radio, and when it works it is fine, but it is very much like the little girl when she was good she was very very good but when she was bad she was horrid.

It has been very pleasant in Philadelphia, having a

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Couple weeks in June,
Some fine day when we
we are able we will surprise
you by looking in and
saying how do you do.
With kind remembrances
to Mrs Robinson and regretting
I cannot come right away
I am very truly

Harry T. Stoddart

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POTSDAM, N. Y., Aug 15 - 1925

Dear Brother Courtland Robinson
Delhi N.Y.

You are more than fine in all you say about the Sissons & my particular part of the family. I am afraid if you lived with us all the year you would find many loop holes for finding out our drawbacks, However we forgive you and want you to understand that our first meeting is indelibly fixed in our minds and hearts. I remember your first sermon in our church and your experience in going to dear old Mrs Flowers. Now our doors are always open to you whenever you come back!,

Now dont let your letter worry you. You are all right and on solid rock and many more will get back there also after their slight digression. Are you not now glad that Stewart has turned out to be a Big Strong Preacher and firmly intrenched in his belief? Your many friends in Potsdam

will always look back upon the six years
spent with us as one of the Bay State for
our generation. Father & Mother I saw their
children and some of their numerous grandchildren
get a good start — which you were with us.
Our only desire now is that we can continue
together with the blessings of God in our
lives. Conservative citizens and true Americans
In our family life we have certainly received
much to be thankful and shall endeavor
to live so that all with whom we come
in contact may not suffer any loss
in faith or otherwise through knowing us.
It is a bright warm day. Young & growing
are now out bathing. But I am not taking
those kinds.

Please extend to Mrs Rob my regrets for
her illness and congratulations on recovery

With all my heart
Your friend
Rufus

MAEHASSIT COTTAGE
OAK POINT
ST. LAWRENCE RIVER, NEW YORK

principles now.

Am hoping that you will pardon this mistake - if you feel it was a mistake. You said nothing that has not been said by anyone. (as far as personalities are concerned-) You said many things that it was good for us to know.

Kate left us this morning for New York. Will be back on

Friday. We shall go down on the 25th of August. Your family will come to the cottage for the week then.

You are so glad that Mr. Robinson is feeling strong and well again. Fear & trouble did seem so like a stroke of lightning. But it surely did allow the patient to survive.

Trusting that I have not been so foolish or unthoughtful that you will not want me for a true friend. I am, just the same.

Always yours, Mary C. Simms.

Papa said last night, "Must write Dr. Robinson".

MAEHASSIT COTTAGE
OAK POINT
ST. LAWRENCE RIVER, NEW YORK

Dear Dr. Robinson -

Never was I more glad of regret than when your last letter came. When such a mistake has been made - tell you are so gracious in your criticism - I had rather that - that such strong doctrine would be good for all. and so tells you the truth. I still think it was. No criticism that you gave

of our former pastor will our he repeated as coming from you. Each and every one of us had said the same things before - and then to you for dear friends in all the Dixon families.

They did not feel the remarks that Marion - for we knew - in fact - Marion had said as much to me - then - to - I myself called down members of my own family for "fond views", so we was made prominent - for when were brought in. The whole afternoon

MAEHASSIT COTTAGE
OAK POINT
ST. LAWRENCE RIVER, NEW YORK

war short in discussion of Fundamentalism - and you may be sure they came out ahead.

To me the pity is that so few of us really know what these different platforms stand for. Modernism can tell me so far that they are lost - and religion is not religion, only in name. So many say they believe in evolution and they do not know the back ground - or the primary

MRS. RUFUS L. SISSON
53 ELM STREET
POTSDAM, NEW YORK

Dr. and Mrs. Robinson.

Dear Friends.

Rufus and I were so pleased to receive your splendid letter; to tell the truth - I myself felt - much flattered that you should devote so much of your worthwhile time to send us so many many fine thoughts -

Then to the "old woman" is pleased to know there is someone

who would not dub her an old woman. When I wrote the editor of our Club News in her request for more or less data of my life. I told her there was nothing to record. Because my life had been just like that of the old woman's and didn't she go and have it printed. My club work and D.A.R. work have brought me into contact with many interesting women and men too. To me it is like a breath of new life to go and hear and understand so much that is being accomplished by these different

organizations - and to feel that in a
any small way I can be a part of it.
To day in the Sunday Edition of the
Post Standard is a splendid article on
Evolution - the heading "Rose, or Rose".
Would like to have you read it. The
writer name sounds much like that of
a Catholic, but its sound just the same.
Later. Well this is Monday noon - another
twenty four hours has gone. Just as I
was writing you yesterday - one of my
girls came in and said, "Some one has
come" - Looking out whom should I see
but Walter coming in with tiny Carol
in her basket. There was Walter, Ruth
Carol - Rufus Jr. Dorothy, Dale, Frank -
Margaret, Francis and Annie Rufus'
maid - Dorothy, Ruth, Dale and Annie
stayed with us for dinner. The others
insisted upon going to the park. That gave
us two hours. But we had a big
real lunch in the noon - green peas, (with
plenty more in cans) bread galore. Then we
order us icecream from twenty ~~gallon~~
cans &c. So you see - we could have
fed many more. This little slip our

MRS. RUFUS L. SISSON
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hon is quite - a bronchitis from heart-failure for me -

Last Monday - Grace - Mary - Nellie Safford, Daisy - Lena - Sadie - and "Gula" a cousin from Muskegon came up for the day - They brought their lunch, or most of it - we ate in the piazza - After lunch Grace read aloud your letter - and I can assure you - all agreed with you - even to Daisy -

We all feel that Mr. Poole is going to hold fight and bring them in - by giving to them the pure gospel -

Altho we cannot follow Bryan in all his flights - we surely do mourn for his sudden death - Only week ago - night - has been the famous - the illustrious - and bitter controversialist - now too much for Mr. Bryan - Many will miss him especially those who heard him speak in Florida -

The river is beautiful today -

We wish you and Lady Atison were here with us. Indeed we were shocked to hear of the accident - but your escape seems almost miraculous. Our darling Mrs. Atison will gain her usual strength soon. Strange, is it not, that that child had to cross your path at such psychic moment.

Kirk, Jeff and Buddy have been with us for two days - but go to Petersburg today. They do not return to North Carolina until September 10".

We always had to have Brains Rob spend a few days with us up here but she refused so often - I have ceased to invite her. The Swan and Skinners come in this week. I believe.

But I must close for this time. The days ought to be long here but time just flies - and we accomplish so little. Keep your dear self - very busy to attend to more or less of business - we miss be writing you soon.

Always thanking God Providence for so true and faithful and fundamental a friend - I am Your Friend

Mary C. Atison.

July 27-1925-

Gouverneur, N.Y. 7/25/25

Dear Court:

I am sending on to you the enclosed letter that you may know why you did not hear from Dr Finneysooner and that you may know what he says. I am at all sure that I would be able to make Dean Magie's bowels "move freely" even should he grant me a personal interview. If I were to go to Princeton at all is a question with me whether I would accomplish more by going now to see the Dean or wait till Dr Hibben gets home and then going to take it up with him. I note that you do not think I would accomplish much by going to see Hibben.

You might remail to me this letter of Dr Finney's if you will, I would like to have it for a time.

Now my dear boy don't bother your head one bit more with the case. I appreciate what you have done, and above all, your friendship, more than I can tell you. You reached a big man, who was right in the presence of the Pres't's assistant, and he responded graciously because of his evident regard for you. Thank you most heartily. Glad the good wife is better. Love to both,

Will

Gouverneur,N.Y. 7/3/25

Dear Court:

I have been pretty blue for some days.I have had a great disappointment.They have dropped Sherman from the University.And they have pretty nearly broken my back.It does not seem at all right to me.And I wish you as an alumnus of the University could put in a word of protest if you see the matter as it appears to me.Of course you know they have the Press Club that many are anxious to make,for they make quite a bit of money.Sherman thought he would try for it,so he could make some money and make it easier for me.In the spring term of his freshman year he entered the contest.You know how they do-eliminate each week till they get down to the final selection.He went through till the final selection but got left then.He went into the contest again last fall and of course was anxious to win out and he did. But for two terms he had neglected his studies for the contest. It handicapped him for this term.When exams came he knew he was not in good shape for them.He was nervous,worked nights,had headaches,was not in condition,and got very low marks.He passed all but one-missed that by the margin of two points.He did not reach the standard they require in their new plan for advancing to the junior class,unless in certain cases they see fit to make an

exception,and so they dropped him from the University.Mark you he passed all but one,has but one condition against him,yet they dropped him from the University.Did you ever hear of any school taking such drastic action as that?Of course he made a mistake.His studies should have been his first concern.But he got into the contest and it was hot and he was anxious to win and neglected work that he should have done.But even so he passed all but one, ~~and~~ had only one condition.They would not allow him to go on with his class and give him a chance to show whether he was able to do good work or not-he told them all he wanted was a chance and he would promise them to make second group,they would not even allow him to repeat the Sophomore year and raise his marks,but turned him out.That seems harsh treatment to me.It does not seem right.It does not seem fair to the boy.He had not disgraced the University.He had not even been indolent.He did too much outside work.I do not think he deserved to be turned out discredited by the University.It puts the boy in wrong with people.You can not explain all to them. They do not know the work he has done;they do not know he has passed all but one study;they only know the University has turned him out-would not have him.It seems to me such action ought not be taken without grave reasons.I do not think it justified in Sherman's case.

It seems to me a great University like Princeton ought to want to help their students and give them a chance where there is any dis-

position to make good. Then again Sherman has two brothers who are graduates of Princeton,and I do not think either of them is a discredit to the University.That ought to have some weight with them.It makes it doubly hard for the boy to be turned out by the school that graduated both of his brothers.And I think some consideration might be shown a father who has sent three boys there.
I am afraid I am wearying you.But it is a matter I feel very deeply.I feel it is an injustice to the boy.He made a mistake. Who of us has not.I have needed a second chance many a time.That was all he asked.I think he ought to have been given it.How many many boys has the University allowed to go on who had a condition against them.
Of course I am an unknown and my word does not have any weight with the high brows.But yours would if you think about the matter as I do,and I did not know but you might bring to bear some influence on some of them-especially the Dean Magie.But do not do it if you would rather not.Your judgment in the matter will be good. But it surely has been a pretty tough blow to the boy and to all of us.
Sorry not to have seen you when you were up here. Love,

Will

Rev. William T. Skinner
Gouverneur Ny.

Gouverneur,N.Y. 7/16/25

Dear Court:

Very sorry to learn of your mishap. Some one had told Kate they had seen in a paper that you had been in an accident but did not seem to know more than that. Glad indeed that you both came out of it so fortunately.The loss is bad.That would cripple me for a day or two.Have you got another car yet?It will not leave you much of a balance for this year will it.Thank you much for your good letter and for writing in behalf of Sherman.George Harten-Eva's husband-thinks I ought to go down to Princeton.But I do not think that would do any good,not before Hibben comes back at any rate.I know Hibben well;was in the Benham Club with him.But I do not know as he would do anything.He might if I could talk with him and put the case up to him.I think they ought to make their plan a little flexible for the first year or two till the students know what they are up against.To throw a boy out who has only one condition against him and give him no chance seems drastic. I hope "our wife" has fully recovered ere this.

With warmest regards to yu both, Will

Presbyterian Parsonage
W. F. Skinner, Pastor
Gouverneur, N. Y.

July 4 - 25

Dear Count:

I want to add a word to what I wrote last night.

Thurman at the end of his second year was 6 hours to his credit and only one condition, yet they turn him out! Another thing. When Maggie wrote me that he "hoped very soon would go elsewhere to school and do so well that, perhaps at the end of next year, Princeton would be glad to receive him back again."

Note two things. First it doesn't look as if they thought he was a very bad boy, second: What an attitude for a great university! Throw her own boys out, and hope some other school will pick them up with her discredit work on them, and give them a chance that she won't give her own! An attitude not worthy of a great institution. Will

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Rev W Courtland Robinson DD

Delhi NY

Can you preach first Sunday Germantown August ninth or sixteenth Wire collect

Walter Lee Shepard

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My dear Aunt -

Do not think I am indifferent because I have been so long in expressing my sympathy in your recent accident far from that - indeed it quite upset me and I am so sorry for all it means both physically and mentally - but so glad you are both still with us - I am very sorry you are unable to reach here in August for I had hoped for a good visit with you both at that time - but perhaps you will come some time this summer without that incentive - Everyone will be glad to see you. and have been think it over and decide to come - Cecil is attending a school of music at Concord Mass. for thirty days - under Harvard instructors and is very much pleased with it - I am meantime keeping Easter Bradford company - which is one reason I have not written before -

Cecil came home for week
end Friday so I came home
to rest - but will go back this
afternoon - What a cold,
rainy June! How you will
miss Stuart. Anna and the
babies - I am so glad I saw
them all last Summer.

Let us hear from you and
them occasionally - Did it
you have measles on your
car? It certainly was a
horrible affair and I lost
the best of the kind in the
family - The family home
to Cambridge twice recently
and I called on the Lowbacks
found Anna then the last
time and think she is in very
poor health - She has had her
tonsils removed and I suppose
it will take a long time to
realize the benefits.

I would be glad if Fanny
would write and tell how she
is - With much love

Mina -

Hillview Farm
Potsdam, N.Y.

June 30, 1925.

Dear Cecile:

What a shame, a burning shame that your visit to Potsdam should end thus! And your beautiful car which I so much admired. I hadn't heard how badly it was wrecked - merely that you were run down by a miserable go-devil and had a miraculous escape from serious injury.

Then, too, the Siesens are overwhelmed with shame that you

because of a case of "too many cooks" were not paid for that great sermon. George says "It's Rufus's fault, he ought to have attended to it himself" while Rufus says "Supposed Scott attended it." Altogether we only wish we could put a loan and car at your door.

Marion and Barbie have returned to Utica leaving the children until camp is settled. It has been a strenuous two weeks.

I was so glad to hear you reply to Marion as you did when she aired her "any sect" views,

which came perhaps primarily from Barber, fostered by college study.

The Pants arrived in town today. It will be so good to have a pastor again. I have a feeling that he will be good for the young people, hope we may not be disappointed.

Hoping that you may have a satisfactory adjustment of your car and with great love and thankfulness for your escape, I am

Yours most sincerely
Mary Howes.

July 1st

My Dear Court:—

Sorry you could not come. Caughey was very anxious to get you. Holding church in High School auditorium. Since church was sold. We are surely to have a wonderful new plant — being designed by Cram, the designer of St. Thomas and architect in charge of the cathedral in N.Y. He was here yesterday. To be gothic and very much <u>churchly</u> — I told Caughey when looking over the plans with him, when he described his ideas — "All right Father". It purely amused him — He loves ceremonial, and likes the parade in. Col. Cunningham would veto it, I guess, if

he were around.

Sorry to hear of your accident. Money is nothing compared to life and pursuit of happiness and the consciousness of knowing you were not at fault.

I have a Studebaker now. a big-six sedan and like it much. It is very powerful and most comfortable.

I think I can see a looking-up in business. There seems to be some demand. had $6000 in orders come in yesterday. but can't get that everyday.

Glad Stuart & Anne went to Europe. They are right age to enjoy it after his European experience. She is a little dandy. Best regards. Sincerely

Harris

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June 30, 1925

Rev. Wm. Robinson
Delhi, N.Y.

My dear Mr. Robinson:

Dr. Ferguson wrote you early in June asking you to let him know what disposition was to be made of the checks and pledges received from Dr. Palmer's appeal. You will recall the circumstances.

We have been holding these awaiting your decision. Will you kindly let me know by return mail that we may put them through the regular way if this is satisfactory to you and your officials.

Fraternally yours,

A M Currie

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Mr Mrs W C Rafferty

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Can you visit here one Sunday August Second Glad to see you if possible wire answer

Hollis W Stewart

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MISS GRACE S. SISSON
13 LEROY STREET
POTSDAM, NEW YORK

Thursday.

Dear Parson.

We are anxiously waiting to hear all about it. You have our telegram and know our sympathy. You were thoughtful to write me. I enclose clipping from Monday night's Watertown Times, which carries the idea you were more hurt than you admitted. The shock must have been awful even if you were not cut or bruised,

and if you are both nervously shaken it will not be a wonder. I admire Grady for her calmness. I doubt if I could have met the test. My long rest is growing. In the one near accident I have been in, when the big sedan skidded three times across the road each time coming nearer to the embankment with a sheer drop off, I heard this angel growing gang in back wished the fool person would stop it – only to find later

it was nearly.

Mr Thompson, Thompson is now no worse and trust you are fully protected by insurance.

I have been having a sore fight with my cold which persists in settling down to live in my upper story - the nice cold drizzle today is not conducive to moving my tenement. However I am really better for most of the time I can breathe through both doors, and a little boiling in the room will render me all right.

Dear Aunt & a dentist "tooth specialist" yesterday and is arrange to have nine teeth out. He is a rare and rather mean dog feeling old age has big him, for between the eyes - both between the jaws.

So glad you could both come. I appreciate every bit of the visit and will certainly behave better if you only will come again.

Much love -

Your S. S.

My dear Court-

Am having a rather hard time to get a letter written - this is my second attempt this morning.

Not having heard from you recently I am wondering what your plans for the Summer are - It must be wonderful just when you are these beautiful June days - I am still re-joicing in the grand time I had with you all last Summer - It is a delight to recall it all and I thank you all so much - I am afraid I was not very good company for as I look back I think I should have been under the Doctor's care then but I held off until Christmas and so have been so long in getting back to normal -

Can't do as I would like and probably never will -

The Heckroths are here - We think they had great courage to come here when the fruit business seemed already over done. but hope they succeed. Don't believe Hoskin has spoken to them yet - he is such a busy man. but Madge introduced herself as your cousin and they had great things to say about you. said you had the whole town - could have any thing you wanted - Sorry bad bond you and your father before you go. etc. etc. So you see what Delhi thinks of you - is it reciprocated? Madge has gone to the Lake for the Summer and I miss her very much - but loves it up there and will soon come down and stays until late in the summer

Hollis is driving a Studebaker Sedan and loves it. does not tire at all so is having a fine time. It was a used car and he got a good allowance for the old Buick. Very sensible by change. He has to give his car such hard usage. He has been down in the new church monument and helped a lot. People seem very well pleased with the new location and Dr. Caughey is as happy as a boy with a new top.

Liggie Ferguson says that Aunt Liggie and Mai have both been very miserable all Spring. I haven't been to see Aunt Liggie, I haven't felt quite equal

not having car and chauffeur I stay at home mostly - I used to walk so much it seems queer -

I suppose Guss is busy and happy with her lovely flowers. Maggie was visiting with Mrs. Saffard and she thought that you and Guss were in Potsdam. I am so glad Guss enjoyed the car. She did hate travelling so. What are you all planning for the Summer? Was Anna able to keep up her strenuous life all Winter? She's a wonder - a lovely girl. Real announcement of Grace Graham's marriage. Who is the groom? Will they remain in Delhi? So you had to buy Lillie Gould also. What did Dallie have against her? She was some older than

I, but I always liked her. ~~Then~~ I wrong in thinking she was in an asylum at one time. Haven't heard from Fannie lately. She is a very busy woman, especially this time in the year. Anna is not very well. has rheumatism - enlarged joints &c. had her tonsils out. Will has been quite well for him. Ewin and family have not been very well but all are improv. ing.

My love to all the Rob. insons. Sis of them.

Mina.

I have some historical books I wonder if Jo or Stewart would like to have them. History of Argyle Presby. of Cumberland Salem. West Hebron South Argyle &c.

W. M. SAMPLE
3502 HAMILTON STREET

PHILADELPHIA, May 25/26

My Dear Dr Robinson

I made all my connections and arrived home safely and on time last evening-
I want to again thank you and Mrs Robinson for your generous hospitality and for having given me the time of my life - Elizabeth & I leave for Baltimore tomorrow morning and leave there for Carlisle on Thursday morning -
Mr Alexander called me up this morning and I told him of my pleasant experience!
Remember me to Mrs Robinson and tell her I hope her clocks are now running satisfactorily

Sincerely Yours
W M Sample